

Statute B

MEMBERSHIP OF THE UNIVERSITY AND DEGREES

CHAPTER I

MEMBERSHIP OF THE UNIVERSITY, ADMISSION, AND MATRICULATION

1. The University shall, by Ordinance, state the conditions on which persons may matriculate as a member of the University, as

- (a) an undergraduate student;
- (b) a student pursuing a course for a degree specified in Statute B II 1(c) or research, or a course of study and training for research, intended for a degree specified in Statute B II 1(d);
- (c) a University officer;
- (d) an affiliated student;
- (e) a person falling within the terms of Special Ordinance A (i) (f);
- (f) a person in any other category determined by Statute or Ordinance.

2. Membership of the University is for life, or until resignation, or until deprivation by decision of a University court, disciplinary panel or any body granted authority in Ordinance to assess capability to study.¹ Resignation entails cancellation of any degree. Renunciation of a degree entails resignation of membership of the University. Detailed provision for resignation of membership and renunciation of degrees shall be made by Ordinance. Provision for reinstatement after resignation or renunciation may be made by Ordinance.²

2. (a) Membership of the University is for life, or until resignation, or until deprivation by decision of a University court, disciplinary panel or any body granted authority in Ordinance to assess capability to study,¹ or for non-payment of fees as set out in Ordinance. Detailed provision for resignation of membership shall be made by Ordinance. Provision for reinstatement after resignation may be made by Ordinance.

(b) Detailed provision for renunciation of degrees shall be made by Ordinance. Renunciation of a degree entails resignation of membership of the University. Provision for reinstatement after renunciation may be made by Ordinance.

(c) Unless it is otherwise expressly provided by Statute or Ordinance, a person who suffers suspension or deprivation of membership of the University or resigns from membership shall not enjoy or exercise any entitlement within the University that would otherwise be accorded to them by virtue of any degree or degrees of the University which they may continue to hold during such suspension or deprivation or resignation from membership.²

3. Admission to courses and candidature for a qualification shall be *either*

- (a) by College, in the case of a Tripos, and other courses or qualifications determined by Ordinance; *or*
- (b) by a University authority, and by a College, in the case of other courses or qualifications leading to a degree so identified by Ordinance; *or*

(c) by a University authority, in the case of other courses or qualifications so identified by Ordinance.

Any admission by Colleges and any candidature for a qualification is subject to the requirements of the Statutes and Ordinances of the University.

CHAPTER II

DEGREES

1. The degrees in the University are:

- (a) Bachelor of Arts, and such other Bachelor's degrees as may be established by Special Ordinance;
- (b) Master of Arts;
- (c) Such other Master's degrees as may be established by Special Ordinance;

¹ See the Procedure to Support and Assess Capability to Study, p. 236.

² The Section in angular brackets will replace the Section in square brackets subject to the approval by His Majesty in Council of the amendments of Statute approved by Grace 2 of 14 February 2024.

- (d) Doctor of Philosophy, and such other Doctor's degrees as may be established by Special Ordinance;
- (e) Bachelor of Divinity;
- (f) Master of Surgery; and
- (g) Doctor of Divinity, Doctor of Law, Doctor of Medical Science, Doctor of Science, Doctor of Letters, and Doctor of Music.

2. Provision may be made by Ordinance

- (a) for admission to the degree of Master of Arts on the recommendation of the Council;
- (b) for admission to degrees by incorporation of graduates of the University of Oxford or the University of Dublin (Trinity College);
- (c) for a candidate for a degree who has kept a term or terms by residence at either of the University of Oxford or the University of Dublin (Trinity College) to receive an allowance of not more than the same number of terms towards the terms required to be kept in this University; and
- (d) prescribing conditions under which the status of Bachelor of Arts and or Master of Arts may be held or may be granted by the Council.

3. Eligibility under Section 2(a) or (b) above may be made by Ordinance to include holders of office elect or designate. Provision may be made by Ordinance for the admission under Section 2(a) and (b) above of persons holding posts designated by the Council in University institutions.

4. Degrees shall rank in such order of precedence as may be determined by Ordinance, and in the absence of such Ordinance, in such order as has previously been customary.

CHAPTER III

COURSES AND EXAMINATIONS, ALLOWANCES

1. The General Board shall by Regulation, make provision for courses, and examinations, in these categories:

Courses for matriculated students

- (a) courses leading to the Bachelor of Arts and other Bachelor's degrees established by Special Ordinance;
- (b) courses leading to Master's degrees established by Special Ordinance;
- (c) courses of study and training for research, and research, intended for the Doctor of Philosophy or other Doctor's degree established by Special Ordinance;
- (d) other courses or qualifications to be offered by the University including those leading to certificates or diplomas;

Courses not limited to matriculated students, including certificates and diplomas

- (e) other courses or qualifications to be offered by the University;

Higher degrees

- (f) candidature and examination for the degrees of Bachelor of Divinity, Master of Surgery, and Doctors degrees listed in Statute B II 1(g).

2. Such regulations shall specify

- (a) the University authority primarily responsible for the course or examination,
- (b) for courses and qualifications in Section 1(a)–(d) above, normal residence requirements, the length of courses and arrangements for examination, and
- (c) for courses and qualifications in Section 1(e) above, attendance requirements (if any), the length of courses and arrangements for examinations.

3. The General Board may make additional detailed provision for the above matters by Regulation.

4. The University shall make Ordinances on the recommendation of the General Board:

- (a) for the grant of allowances to individual students in respect of courses and examinations in Section 1(a)–(e) above; and for arrangements for the review of such decisions about allowances;
- (b) for arrangements for appeal or review of matters within the responsibility of the University about a course or examination in Section 1(a)–(e) above, raised by the student concerned;
- (c) concerning the circumstances in which a University body shall have authority to withdraw the right of a student to continue to study on a given course, or on any course, offered by the University.